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1. I MAY BE WRONG BUT I WOULD GUESS THAT, IN CONTEXT
OF MALI-UPPER VOLTA BORDER DISPUTE, GOUV WILL BE DE-
LIGHTED TO HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT ITS CASE, AND
PARTICULARLY ITS NEEDS FOR ARMS, TO AN AUDIENCE OF
SENIOR U.S. MILITARY OFFICERS AND OTHER US GOVERNMENT
OFFICIALS. GOM, OF COURSE, WILL NOT HAVE SUCH
OPPORTUNITY.

2. BEFORE MAKING INFORMAL APPROACH TO FOREIGN
MINISTER, THEREFORE, I WONDER IF IT WOULD NOT BE
ADVISABLE TO GET A READING FROM OUR EMBASSY IN BAMAKO
AS TO LIKELY REACTION OF GOM, BEARING IN MIND THAT NWC
VISIT WILL SURELY BE GIVEN CONSIDERABLE PUBLICITY BY GOUV.
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